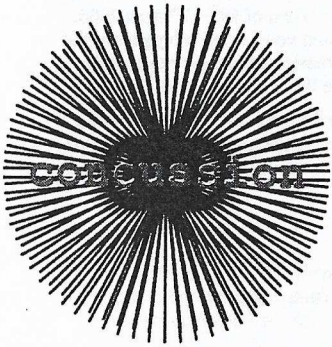
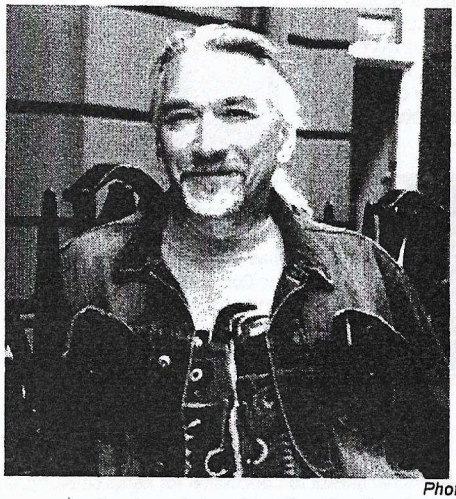


Eastercon 2006

14th-17th April 2006, Glasgow



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Guests of Honour

M. John Harrison

Elizabeth Hand

Justina Robson

Guest Artist

Brian Froud

Fan Guest

Ian Sorensen

About Concussion

Concussion – the 57th Eastercon – will take place in Glasgow over the weekend of 14th-17th April 2006. Bringing together authors and fans for four days of exciting, enjoyable and very varied programme, the Eastercon is the premier annual event of the UK's science fiction and fantasy calendar. We expect the best part of a thousand sf enthusiasts to join us in Glasgow – make sure that you are one of them!

Because Concussion was organized with rather less notice than most Eastercons, we are still finalising the details of our venue. However, we can confirm that we are putting the final touches to a deal with the Glasgow Moat House Hotel, and that we are arranging additional accommodation options nearby.

About Our Guests

M John Harrison is one of the UK's most renowned sf and fantasy authors. Winner of the Tiptree Award for *Light* (a work also shortlisted for the Clarke Award), he has received popular and critical acclaim for works such as *The Course of the Heart, The Centauri Device* and the *Viriconium* series.

Elizabeth Hand is a noted US fantasy writer and another winner of multiple awards. Her novels include *Winterlong* and *Mortal Love*, and her work has been variously described as lush, degenerate and evocative.

Justina Robson is one of the latest wave of British SF writers. Books like *Silver Screen*, *Mappa Mundi* and *Natural History* prove that she is one of the most exciting talents to have emerged in the past five years.

Brian Froud is a legendary fantasy artist, whose paintings have inspired films like *The Dark Crystal* and *Labyrinth*. Brian illustrated *Lady Cottington's Pressed Fairy Book* and his latest work is *Goblins!*

Ian Sorensen is our fan guest and a seasoned convention organizer. He has published fanzines such as Conrunner and Snapshot, and as part of the 'Reductio Ad Absurdum' theatre company, stages SF epics with a cast of only three.

Day Guests

We also plan to bring a number additional guests to Concussion for items on particular days of the convention. Our final lineup of these Day Guests will not be confirmed until close to the event, but so far we hope to bring Games Workshop fiction editor **Marc Gascoigne**, award-winning Finnish sf writer **Johanna Sinisalo**, noted comics and fantasy author **Dan Abnett** and, subject to professional commitments, visual effects and space expert **Mat Irvine**.

Our Programme

Concussion will be a general-interest convention, centring on written sf and fantasy but featuring comics, anime, gaming, costuming, film and (last but in no way least) fan programme. We will devote a lot of effort to ensuring that the programme is as varied and interesting as we can make it, and that it will be fun and rewarding for participants and audience alike.

In answer to one common question, we do plan to run a Masquerade – but it would help us immensely if you could let us know well in advance if you are thinking of taking part.

www.eastercon2006.org

Concussion Membership Form

Please complete one form per member and return, with payment made payable to "Concussion" and send to:

Concussion
103 Rustat Road
Cambridge
CB1 3QG
Great Britain

Details of rates and payments, and our data protection policy, are overleaf. If you have any queries about your membership contact: members@eastercon2006.org, or call Farah Mendlesohn at: 07799 771309.

Personal Name	**Family Name**
Badge Name	*This will by default be your name given above*
Address	**Email**
	Telephone(s)

Please tick here if you are willing to receive progress reports electronically	

Type of Membership Required (please delete as applicable):

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If you require a Concessionary membership, please give details overleaf.

Please also let us know overleaf if you would like a table in the dealer's room, to exhibit in the art show, take part in the masquerade, to volunteer for the convention, or have any special requirements or questions. Please also indicate if you do not want your membership details passed on to Eastercon 2007 for a one-off mailing.

Please use this box to give details of:

- your eligibility for concessionary membership rates, if applicable.

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Rates (to 30 November 2004)

Attending	£30
Concessions	£15
Child (5-11 years)	£5

Supporting	£15
Junior (12-16 years)	£15
Infant (0-4 years)	free

Rates (1 December 2004 – 31 March 2005)

Attending	£40
Concessions	£20
Child (5-11 years)	£5

Supporting	£20
Junior (12-16 years)	£15
Infant (0-4 years)	free

Children's rates apply to children who will be the appropriate age at the convention, under 18's must attend with a responsible adult. Supporting membership may be upgraded to attending at any time by paying the difference between the supporting and attending rates prevailing at the time of conversion. Concessionary memberships are available to the unemployed, full-time students and people on State Benefits. If concessionary conditions no longer apply on the day of the convention, the concessionary membership will be treated as a supporting membership, which will require an upgrade to attending as above.

Membership records will be held on a computer database. Membership details will not be passed on to other organisations with the exception of Eastercon 2007, who will be given a one-time only use so that you can receive PR1 and joining information. If you do not wish to have your name passed on to the 2007 Eastercon please tick the box below:

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